THE WASTE OF WAR

1.	U. S. spent on each acre of forest, 1911	2½ cents
	Owing to lack of protection, annual forest fire losses are (Chief Forester, Nat., Geog. Mag., July, 1912	$100,000,000.00
2.	U. S. spent on preparation for war in 1911	283,086,000.00
	A per capita of $3.07 (World Peace Foundation), San Francisco's share of the total	1,350,000.00
3.	U. S. spends 70% of her yearly revenue on wars, past and future, a per capita of	5.00
	San Francisco's share of the total	$ 2,200,000.00
4.	U. S. expends for one shot from a 13-inch gun	1,050.00
	Plus the damage to the gun of $555.00	1,605.00
	This exceeds average salary of teachers in California, 1910. Women, $697.96; men, $927.08 High School, $1076.44 and $1465.82. A college education in each cannon boom.	
5.	U. S. pays for a 13-inch cannon (Gov't figures)	55,569.00
	For latest, most "improved" gun	124,234.00
	Compare with cost of many churches or high school buildings.	
6.	U. S. Battleship "North Dakota" cost	$ 12,000,000.00
	and each year's expense to run it	1,000,000.00
	Compare with total cost of protecting 168,165,000, acres national forests	5,335,886.00
	Or, compare with appropriation to prevent floods on Mississippi, 1911	6,250,000.00
	Or, compare with cost of Roosevelt Dam, Arizona.. Which will irrigate 240,000 acres, or 5 acres for 48,000 families, or 240,000 people.	9,000,000.00
	Or, compare with cost of the 5,500 new homes built in Los Angeles in 1911	$ 11,500,000.00
7.	The $12,000,000.00 "invested" in only one big battleship (by vested interests) would build and equip Los Angeles Polytechnic High School 21 times; Oakland's new Polytechnic High School 20 times; the University of California at Berkeley, costing $3,850,000.00, more than 3 times.	

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8. U. S. Secretary of War says only 8 of the 49 Army posts in the U. S. are of any practical value, yet millions are appropriated for maintaining the useless ones.

9. U. S. Secretary of Navy states (1911) that U. S. has 11 navy-yards, Great Britain 6, France 5, and Germany 3. Our 11 navy-yards cost over $8,000-000.00 per year to maintain. Quite one-third are useless because our big battleships cannot enter them.

10. Assessed value of all property in California, 1911..... $ 2,603,296,264.00
U. S. has spent since 1899 on war preparations..... 3,000,000,000.00
and neglected her forest reserves, her arid lands, her merchant marine, her navigable rivers and commercial harbors; has failed to build needed public roads, public buildings, and also failed to stamp out many preventable diseases among animals and men. She has allowed 500 people to drown, 150,000 to become beggars of bread, and let 500,000 people be driven from their homes by preventable floods in 1911 alone, because she wasted her revenues on preparations to kill men.

11. The war debt of the nations is, says Dr. David Starr Jordan, nearly..... $37,000,000,000.00
accumulated since 1700 A. D., just in killing men, (14,000,000 men killed in war, 1700 to 1912).

12. "Think on these things"—then join one of our California Peace Societies, only $1.00 per year, with Advocate of Peace, and help us to wage our campaign of education against the folly and waste of war.

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